

SPEAKS TO BOARDS OF DIRECTORS

County Supt. Shepard Makes Appeal for Co-operation in Improving Schools; Gives Plain Practical Talk

In his address to the members of the Grady county school boards, in session here Saturday, County Superintendent Shepard spoke in part as follows:

Gentlemen: As I stated to you in my invitation to be present on this great occasion, it is my desire to do everything in my power as your county superintendent to promote the welfare of our schools. I realize that in my position I could sit around and do nothing a great deal of the time. But, gentlemen, I realize the fact again that there are so many great opportunities before me—to do things to help the boys and girls of Grady county to be bigger and better qualified men and women.

In visiting our schools I see so many things that need to be done, and done locally. I do not mean financially, altogether, but need the help and support of the people and I am sure you agree with me now, that I am talking to the wrong class of people. The people to whom I refer to largely are not here, are not at your annual meeting or any other school meeting.

But I want to impress on you the dignity and responsibility of your position. I claim it the most important position of our school system as far as you are concerned locally, and when you have a school that is worthless, I am sure no community feels it more than you. When you have a teacher that simply looks for a o'clock, Friday and payday, that your community feels the hurt and none other.

Gentlemen, I want to impress upon you the importance of hiring teachers. Look with care before you act, consult

with me, bring the teacher to my office and let us talk over school affairs before you hire. And let me say now if you have a good teacher, raise their wages and keep them, demand them to equip themselves for better teaching. I will know every teacher in this county and know of their work in the next three months and I want to tell you that if some of them don't whip up, so far as I am concerned, will not be with us next year.

Now, I am sure some will ask why; because they are doing nothing other than putting in the time, have no interest whatever in the community. I am afraid that they will do something between four in the afternoon and nine the next morning. I don't mean that the board has or will have supervision over the teacher as to what he shall do or not do at this time, but that I hope if a teacher will not have interest to promote community interest, that you will not discharge that teacher, but that you will just simply fail to reappoint him next year.

Now, what do we expect of our

teacher? We expect them to have a nice little program, at least once a month and invite the patrons to be there, take pride in keeping the school house in order, keep the windows clean, keep the desks clean, keep the grounds around the building clean, in other words make the school an attractive place.

The school boards should put locks on the doors and screen the windows and require it to the building to be kept locked. Again, boards should require their teachers to be on the school ground at recess and supervising plays, boards should provide some sort of playground apparatus, these cost very little and will mean much toward keeping your boys and girls in school.

Now, gentlemen, I want you to put in your estimate something for this playground equipment. Buy a baseball and bat, swings and tee-totter, etc.

You should acquaint yourself with the school, that is why I want you here, so as to get thoroughly soaked with enthusiasm, that you may go back home more determined than ever before to be a better board member and that as long as you are on the board you will put forth every energy possible to do something for the children in your district.

Gentlemen, I want you to arrange a clean-up day in your district. Have the teacher advertise this meeting through the children, have the ladies bring dinner and then clean up the school house. I want you to arrange in your estimate, and if you can do it this year, do it. Paint your school house inside and out. See that the outhouses are kept in a more sanitary condition, spend 40 cents for a sack of lime to be used in these houses. Men, it is dangerous. Fumigate the school building and scrub and oil the floors. We do not expect you, personally, to do this, but arrange it in your incidentals when you make your estimate.

Another thing that is neglected, a flag of our great nation is absent in so many of our buildings. That is required in section 274 of the school law. Children should be taught the history and meaning of "Old Glory." It will make better citizens, more loyal, and so many children never saw a United States flag, or have any conception of what it means. I know you have never thought of it, but I say again this meeting is for that purpose, to wake us up, to open our eyes to this great question of developing the youth of our fair land, free from the desolating hand of war.

We must continue to develop level-headed men such as we have today at the head of affairs. I refer especially to our great president, Woodrow Wilson.

Have your teacher to put special stress on agriculture. Have them cooperate with the county agent in organizing the boys and girls clubs. You know what it means to your child to let him have a colt, a pig or calf or even a chicken, and generally it is one that has just about passed into the other world. What if you would give him a good one, or let him work for it, and then make his report to the department of what he has done. Let him receive some personal mail it will teach him grammar, spelling, arithmetic, writing, history, and above all things it will teach him to be a business man. What is the matter with our boys and girls today? Not one out of a hundred can calculate what 150 pounds of pork is worth at seven and a quarter per hundred.

It was a wonderful sight to see the two hundred club boys and girls here last summer at an all-day picnic. Then at the County fair, it was wonderful what our boys and girls had done.

Now, this should be thrashed out

SPECIAL SILK WEEK at the EAGLE

We Will Offer This Week the Following Prices on Silks:

\$2.00 Crepe de Chine at.....	\$1.75	\$1.75 Crepe de Chine at.....	\$1.50	\$1.00 Poplins at.....	75c
\$2.00 Satins at.....	\$1.75	\$3.00 Puss Willow Taffeta at.....	\$2.50	\$1.75 Taffeta at.....	\$1.50
\$2.00 Charmeuse at.....	\$1.75	\$1.00 Messeline at.....	75c	\$1.25 Taffeta at.....	\$1.00

Many other Silk bargains for this Silk Week that you should see.

Eagle Mercantile Co
306-308 CHICKASHA AVE.

How to Brew Tea.

It is generally believed that anyone can make tea. This is far from the case. Great care should be taken to have the teapot hot. Scald it out with hot water before putting in the dry tea. The water to pour on the leaves should not only be boiling, but should be freshly boiled. The big teakettle which stands on the stove all day and is filled at irregular intervals does not furnish the best water for the purpose. Get a small enameled-ware kettle holding about a quart of water. Pour the water on the tea, which should not steep over three minutes. Then you will have a cup of tea which is not only very much better in flavor but is much more wholesome than that made in the ordinary careless fashion.

There Are Many.

A nextchange has an article on "Stopping the Waste of Gas." It is some people we know were compelled to wear muzzles it might help some.

Psalm's Two Distinctions.

Psalm 118, besides being the middle chapter in the Bible, is also the shortest chapter.

Philadelphia Solomon.

A Philadelphia police magistrate was called on to decide the ownership of a dollar bill which was found in the street by a negro and claimed to have been lost by a white man. After hearing the story of each claimant the court said: "I believe the dollar belonged to the white man, but since the negro found it he is entitled to a reward. I therefore decree that each take fifty cents and call it a day's work."

Brief Missives.

"If I had had more time," a witty Frenchman used to write, "I could have made this letter shorter." Voltaire is credited with two of the briefest on record. One said, "Alas," and the other "Bravo." They were in recognition of a woman's bereavement and remarriage.

To Prevent Dampness.

In damp weather always place a small wooden box filled with lime in the storeroom. This keeps the air dry and sweet, as the lime absorbs all the dampness.

Goodness first, price afterwards. West's Grocery. 11-1-31

Birds in Migration.

Few birds put themselves to high speed during the migration flight. They go such moderate distances as 20, 30, 40 miles a day, making many side excursions for food which increase the actual space traversed. But some species make long continued, and rapid flights. Some make the trip across the Gulf of Mexico, varying in distance, according to the route, from 500 to 700 miles, in a single trip. The purple martin is said to average 120 miles every night in its spring trip from Texas to Winnipeg.

But whether they travel fast or slow many birds cover thousands of miles in each migration, north or south. The brilliant scarlet tanager spends half the year in the United States and Canada, and the other half in Peru.

What Made Him Laugh.

"What are you laughing at?" "I was just thinking of my poverty." "Well, what is there in poverty to make you laugh?" "It just struck me that if I should by chance strike it right some day how many thousands there are who could honestly say they knew me when I didn't have a dollar."—Detroit Free Press.

GEORGE K. POWERS

Will hold a Four Days Special Sale on Groceries, Fruits and Vegetables. A rare chance to stock the larder with Eatables at Bargain Prices.

Sale Commences Saturday, October 30th And Ends 6 P. M. Wednesday, November 3rd

Sale is Cash or Credit. All our book customers, with hardly an exception, are first class pay. None better can be found and it affords us pleasure to extend to them these Bargains.

CASH OR CREDIT.
Saturday, October 30th.
—SUNDRIES—

Fresh Hominy Flakes 7 lbs. 25c
Hominy Grits 7 lbs. 25c
Soda Crackers 4 lbs. 25c
Crystal White Soap 7 bars 25c
Cracked Rice 20 lbs. for \$1.00
English Breakfast Tea, 80c quality, Per lb. 30c
These Teas have advanced 25c per lb. at wholesale, owing to the war. Having a surplus here, you get it at less than wholesale price.

CASH OR CREDIT.
Monday, November 1st.
VEGETABLE AND FRUIT DAY.

Holland Cabbage Per lb. 15c
Orange Carrots Per lb. 2c
Turnips Per bushel 60c
Choice Irish Potatoes Per peck 20c
Turnips Per bushel 80c
Celery 4 large bunches 25c
Fancy Ben's Apples Per bushel 80c
Fancy Minkler Apples Per bushel 90c
Fancy Winesap Apples Per bushel 90c
These are sprayed fruit from Missouri orchards. Will keep. A good time to lay in a supply.

CASH OR CREDIT.
Tuesday, November 2nd.

Vienna Sausage 3 cans 20c
Potted Meat 6 cans 25c
Oil Sardines 7 cans 25c
Norway Mackerel 4 for 25c
Picnic Hams Per lb. 13c
With meat products soaring higher each week, it may be a long time before such a Ham bargain will occur again.

CASH OR CREDIT.
Wednesday, November 3rd.
SUGAR DAY.

18 lbs. Brown Sugar \$1.00
20 lbs. Granulated Sugar for \$1.00 with each \$5.00 order for other goods.
Have cut expenses about \$40.00 per week and can give customers many good bargains.
The goods are to be sold as listed, each day's sales separate from the others.

Come early, while goods held out.

GEORGE K. POWERS
PHONES 623 and 624. 307 CHICKASHA AVENUE.

MARKETS

Chickasha Grain Today.
No. 1 milling wheat, 92c.
No. 2 export wheat, 87c.
Corn, mixed, 42c.
Corn, white, 43c.
Oats, 27c.

Chicago Grain Today.

WHEAT.
December—Open, \$1.01 to \$1.00 5-8; close, \$1.02 3-8.
May—Open, \$1.02 3-4 to \$1.02 1-4; close, \$1.04 1-8.

CORN.
December—Open, 57 7-8c to 57 3-4c; close, 58 5-8c.
May—Open, 59 3-8c to 59 1-4c; close, 60 1-8c.

OATS.
December—Open, 35 5-8c; close, 36c.
May—Open, 39 1-4c; close, 39 3-8c to 39 1-2c.

TEN FIRE PREVENTION COMMANDMENTS.

The Safety First Federation of America Framed Them. It Knows!

1. Don't permit children to play with matches.
2. Don't throw away lighted matches, cigars or cigarettes.
3. Don't use naphtha or benzine in the home. (A pint makes 250 feet of explosive vapor.)
4. Don't block the fire escapes; you may need them yourself, quick.
5. Don't put ashes in wooden boxes or barrels.
6. Don't permit accumulations of rubbish.
7. Don't have lace curtains or draperies near open lights.
8. Don't fill kerosene lamps or lanterns after dark.
9. Don't permit matches to be kept except in a closed metal box.
10. Don't forget to call for the fire department first thing; and to have some extinguishing apparatus.



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